

It is to be hoped the new Government will commend themselves to us by remedying this grievance.

A FREE SELECTOR.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR.—The lovers of the arts and sciences, and manufacturers of all kinds of useful articles in New South Wales, have had an opportunity of witnessing, at the Exhibition now held at Melbourne this year, against all the colonies of Australasia. I hope, that we shall do our utmost to make the exhibition of the colonies as brilliant and talented as possible, and that we shall be enabled to show our resources being so rich in minerals and talents, capable of bringing to perfection everything which a kingdom has bestowed. Let our watchword be "Eached to the world, and the world to us," and the fame of this great Exhibition, which is destined to be

"First flower of the earth,
Flourish of the world."

I have a few forms of application, and all the necessary information, which I shall be most happy to give.

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EDUCATIONAL.

To the Editor of the Herald.

SIR.—Being the father of a large family, living in the bush, and nearly 300 miles from Sydney, I am naturally filled with anxiety at the prospect of our non-voted National School, in conjunction with many others, being closed in two months' time, because the National Education Board's inability to render it further assistance through the war-funds. Our school has been in active operation for upwards of twenty years, and has been, both morally and materially, a large amount of good to the community. The children of the bush children around will be really lost within forty days, if there is not other school of an equal character, and of the same size, to take the place of worship; the school is all we have got, and it is, for the want of a few miserable pounds, to be taken from us, and the children of the bush will be left in a state of complete compend. The school is attended by a numerous (being of all denominations of Episcopalian, Wesleyan, and Roman Catholics), to obtain special instruction in their own creed in the interior. It is in this, and such like out-of-the-way places, that the good Samaritan, comes forward and supplies our wants.

Allow me, Sir, through the medium of your potent columns, to ask our Ministry and Parliament if all these causes of a paltry deficit of a few hundred pounds, to be the cause of the utility of the school, and the children of the bush, to be left in a state of complete compend.

Hoping and trusting that the well-wishers to our rising generation in the House of Assembly will think of this when passing the Estimates.

Your obedient servant,
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February 17th.

SUCIDE AT PORT ARTHUR.—Information was brought to town last night that a constable at Port Arthur, named Patrick Kennedy, committed suicide yesterday morning, by shooting himself through the head. The deceased, who had been at Port Arthur for some time, was about 25 or 26 years of age, and effected his own destruction in the most determined manner. At the time he destroyed himself he was on duty, what he called the "breaked-down" duty, his belt being in the scabbard box, he placed a revolver close to his head, pulled the trigger, and the bullet passed almost

